

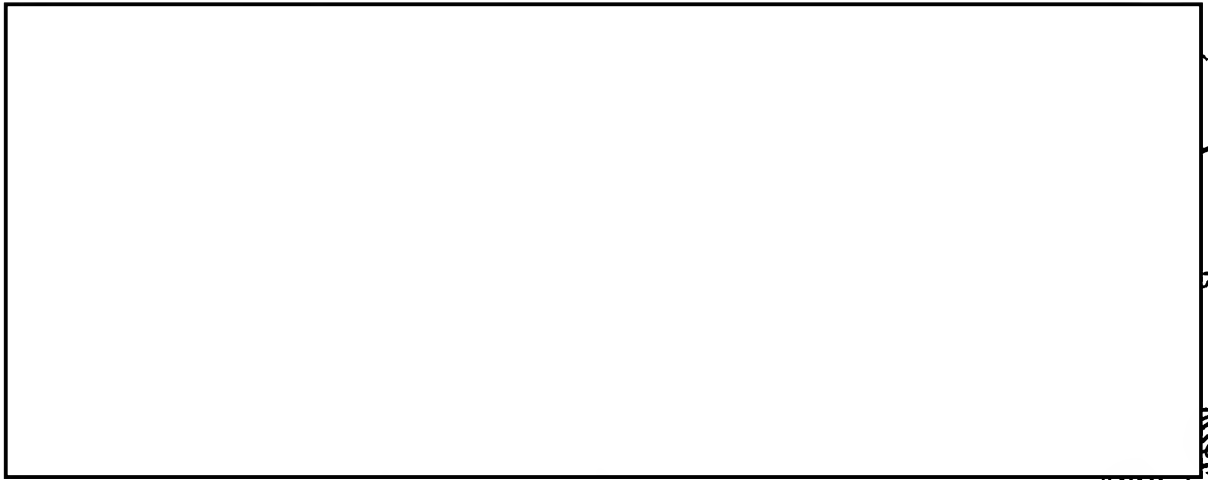
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear sir.

I wish you would add my name to your list
of American citizens available in the present emergency.

Possibly your files will show that I am
reliable.



It is my belief that [redacted]
experience and [redacted]
[redacted] could be put to
more profitable use to my country if applied to some more
responsible assignment.

I also believe that it could be arranged for



Trusting to be honored with your reply at
your convenience, I am

Yours very truly,



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Your letter of July 15, 1950, has been received and I do indeed appreciate the thoughts which prompted you to write as you did.

It is suggested that if you have information in which you think this Bureau would be interested, you should correspond directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Miami Office, 3915 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami 33, Florida.

It is also suggested that you may wish to communicate with the Director, Central Intelligence Agency, 2210 E Street, Northwest, Washington 25, D. C., inasmuch as that agency is concerned with intelligence activities in most areas outside the United States.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing some information which I thought you might find helpful.

Sincerely,
J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

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FROM : R. D. Auerbach

July 28, 1950

SUBJECT: CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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I talked with Senator ^{Styles} Bridges and Senator ^{Harry} Byrd concerning Drew Pearson's comment to the effect that you should leave the Bureau and take over CIA. I had intended to talk only with Bridges, but Senator Byrd joined us and entered into the discussion.

I pointed out to them that you had no idea at all of leaving the Bureau to take over CIA; that the present international situation was too far advanced to have any such change or consolidation made, and further that there were a dozen administrative difficulties in the handling of it, if it were to be expected that the FBI would maintain its normal standards of personnel, discipline and handling, as against CIA's loose and uncertain organization.

Both Bridges and Byrd were of the opinion that someone should whip CIA into shape. They felt that it was a bad situation, as to CIA's handling, and Bridges particularly stated that most of the comments they had heard concerned the internal administration of the group at Washington, whereas the field reports of the men were pretty well considered.

Senator Byrd stated that while he had always felt anything you wanted "was OK by him--you had always kept good books", he did feel, as did Bridges, that you were the only qualified individual who knew enough about the intelligence field to correct the situation.

Senator Bridges stated that during his recent conversation with you, at the time of the making of the Communism broadcast with him, he had been completely convinced that the FBI was master of the Communist situation. He told Byrd in my presence that in case Byrd did not already know it, the FBI was able to completely break the back of any Communist influence in this country in a matter of hours. I might note that Bridges stated "the pick-up list" that Hoover told him about would insure this.

After Byrd had gone I continued the talk with Bridges and pointed out to him in detail not only the fact that such a taking over was impractical at this time, but that also any consolidation process was not feasible due to administrative difficulties, differences in appropriations, personnel standards, et cetera. I also pointed out to him that we were up to our

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necks in work now and that we would have to defer from handling some of our own necessary work in order to revamp such an organization.

Bridges pointed out that there had been considerable talk of late, especially in this week's issue of Newsweek, as to his probably becoming Secretary of State or Secretary of Defense. He admitted that he had been talked to on a very high level concerning both of these jobs, and inferred that during his last talk with the President this had been obliquely mentioned. He stated that he expected some comment would also be made next Monday at his meeting with the President, but did not know for sure. He suggested that if he were ever to take either one of these jobs, he felt in the country's interest that he would insist that if you and the FBI did not actually handle world intelligence, at least you should control it.

In connection with his comment concerning the coming visit to the White House, Bridges stated that last night he had been appointed one of a five-man subcommittee of armed services, to be known as the "New Truman Committee", which would be empowered to check on all war activities. He stated that in this position he undoubtedly would have a great deal to do with the Bureau and would appreciate being kept currently advised as to anything the Bureau had in mind in connection with the present phase of the international situation.

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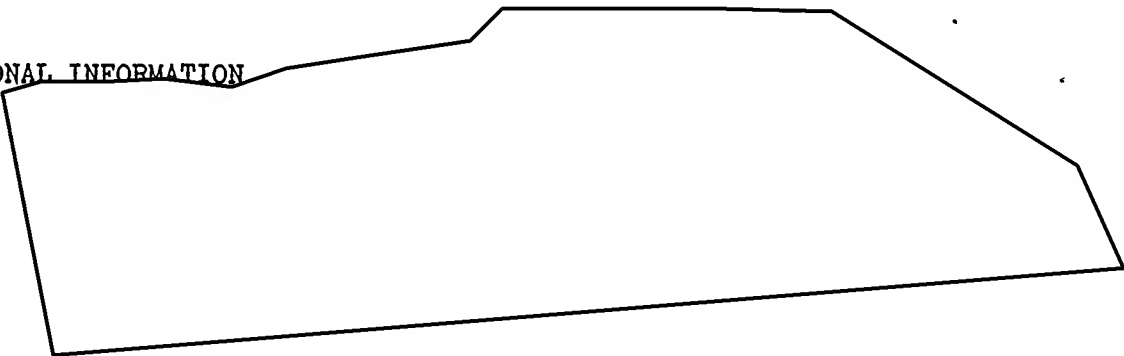
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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: August 2, 1950

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Pursuant to instructions, Mr. De Loach called upon Admiral Hillenkoetter this morning at 10:00 AM and advised him you had noted Drew Pearson's article in "The Washington Post" on July 27, 1950. Hillenkoetter was advised you desired him to know that you had no ambitions for the directorship of CIA, and if the job were offered you it would not be accepted. *R 2-1*

Hillenkoetter replied that the directorship of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was a far better and more enviable position than the directorship of CIA. He stated he respected you highly and he felt certain that you are the most capable man who could be selected for the directorship of CIA. He said, however, he would hate to see a man of your position appointed to such a "messy job" as the one he now holds. Hillenkoetter added he had heard reports that General Walter Bedell Smith had been considered for the CIA top position; however, he considered these reports to be mere rumors.

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Merry-Go-Round

FBI Chief Urged as CIA Head

By Drew Pearson

It isn't generally known, but Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter, chief of the super-duper spy agency, central intelligence, had asked for sea duty well before the Korean outbreak.



The Admiral has done a better job of foreign intelligence than Congress gives him credit for, but he has never been particularly happy in the job and would like to get back to a battleship. Hillenkoetter was former commander of the battleship Missouri, comes from the State of Missouri, and was picked by Truman personally for the difficult intelligence assignment.

Faced with the admiral's insistence that he wants to be transferred, President Truman has asked Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, former United States Ambassador to Moscow, to take over central intelligence. Smith, so far, has refused, on the ground that he recently underwent an ulcer operation.

General Smith knows the Russians, and would be better than most military men for this assignment. However, Congress, in creating central intelligence, did not intend that it be run by the military.

Therefore, some of the President's friends are urging that he appoint J. Edgar Hoover to this important post.

Hoover is one of the best organizers in Government, has built up one of the best-trained investigation bureaus the world has ever seen, and has it in such good shape that it could operate under a new director.

On the other hand, getting intelligence on a prospective enemy is all-important in this day when a suitcase smuggled into an American harbor, or the flight of one plane across the Arctic, or the secret massing of troops on a certain border could cripple the United States indefinitely.

That is why a man of Hoover's genius ought to be used to head an agency which today has become even more important than the FBI.

on Wire-Tapping

Resting new evidence gradually accumulates in the Justice Department's belated probe of Senator Brewster's eavesdropping on Howard Hughes, the West Coast aviation mogul.

It will be recalled that three years ago when the GOP Senator from Maine was chairman of the Senate War Investigating Committee, he staged a head-line snatching investigation of the rather far-fetched charge that Hughes had spent Government money extravagantly in building a giant amphibious transport plane.

It turned out, however, that Brewster had something of an axe to grind for his good friends of Pan-American World Airways, and had talked to Hughes earlier about an amalgamation between Pan-Am and his Trans World Airlines.

It also turned out, two years later, that Brewster had used Lieut. Joseph Shimon of the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia to tap Howard Hughes' phone and put a microphone in his room. In fact, police Chief Robert Barrett submitted a report to the Justice Department almost one year ago that Shimon, had been tapping wires for Senator Brewster's investigating committee.

Wire-tapping, of course, is barred by section 603 of the Federal Communications Act and is a criminal offense.

Statement by Shimon

The Justice Department, after nine months, finally got around to ordering an FBI investigation. The most interesting thing the FBI has turned up a statement made to a G-man by Lieutenant Shimon that Senator Brewster's secretary paid him for his wire-tapping.

A close friend of Brewster's, William Power Maloney, has been retained as defense counsel for Lieutenant Shimon. Upon Shimon's testimony depends whether or not Senator Brewster becomes involved in a criminal proceeding.

So far, Shimon has stuck to a very careful story. He admits tapping Howard Hughes' phone, but he does not admit giving any information about the wire-tapping to the Senator. This is aimed to let Brewster off the hook.

The Senator from Maine, in turn, has figured out an interesting excuse for his association with the police lieutenant. Friends were worried over threats of physical violence, he says, so Shimon was hired to protect him. In the course

of protecting him, the police lieutenant tapped the wire of Howard Hughes, the last person, incidentally, who would have attacked Brewster physically.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 15, 1950

FROM: *WPH* SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: NEWSPAPER CLIPPING

The attached clipping from "~~The~~ Burlington Free Press", Burlington, Vermont, for August 14, 1950, is being forwarded to the Bureau because it is thought to be of interest.

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The Burlington Free Press

BURLINGTON, VT., AUGUST 14, 1950

Intelligence Muddle

It is evident that somebody blundered in connection with the Korean situation. Either the United States Central Intelligence Agency failed to get the facts about the plans of the North Korean government to invade South Korea, or those facts were obtained and transmitted to the proper authorities in this country, but were not acted upon.

Rear Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency apparently convinced the majority of the Senate Appropriations Committee that his organization had not been taken by surprise, as some critics charged, when the Communist forces of North Korea pushed across the 38th parallel. Hillenkoetter told the committee that the North Korean forces had been equipped to invade South Korea at any time they chose for the past year. It had been impossible, he said, to predict the exact time they would march, if at all.

If Central Intelligence was unable to secure information as to the time table for such an invasion, it was of little value. It isn't difficult to get information about the assembling of armed forces. What is important is the purpose of the assembly and when that purpose is to be carried out.

Central Intelligence took the position that its job was to pass on to Washington information about troop concentrations, but without attempting to evaluate that information. That was supposed to be Washington's job.

It should have been rather obvious that troops and tanks were not being mobilized in North Korea near the 38th parallel just for fun. If the United States had any intent of defending South Korea against an invasion, we should have been preparing to meet such a move from the North. The truth seems to be that such defense was not planned—until after the invasion started.

The effectiveness of Central Intelligence has been seriously questioned both before and after the development in Korea.

Burlingtonians who attended an Executive Club dinner at which Paul Cyr, native of St. Johnsbury, spoke about three years

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: August 23, 1950

FROM : SAC, Denver

ATTN: RESEARCH

SUBJECT:

There is transmitted herewith a clipping from the Rocky Mountain News for August 22, 1950, which refers to the Bureau and the Director's administration of it.

For the Bureau's information, Mr. JACK FOSTER is the Editor of the Rocky Mountain News.

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Military Intelligence

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That may require the rest of his active life.

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Indeed, under the Harding administration, it had fallen to low repute. But under Mr. Hoover it has steadily grown in effectiveness and public confidence.

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THE WORK of the FBI and central intelligence are similar in many respects.

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General Smith will need a free hand, plenty of money and of his time to remedy this deficiency.

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Central Intelligence Agency

Intelligence Agency Must Be Made Strong, Efficient

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Rear Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Administration Building, Room 123
2430 E Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

In view of your prospective departure from the Central Intelligence Agency, I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the cooperation you have personally extended to the Federal Bureau of Investigation while serving as the Director of CIA. I also want to convey to you my very best wishes for success in your new assignment.

I hope you will feel free to call upon the Federal Bureau of Investigation if at any time we can be of assistance to you in the future.

With assurance of my highest regards,

Sincerely yours,

(R) J. Edgar Hoover
Forwarded by the Director

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : MR. D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: GENERAL BEDELL SMITH
NEW DIRECTOR OF CIA,

DATE: August 15, 1950

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General Bedell Smith has informed the President that he will accept the directorship of CIA but has asked for a little time before taking over, the effective date being on or about October 1, 1950.

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[redacted] informed Mr. Roach in confidence this morning that General Smith, in his meeting with the President, told the President that he would accept the CIA appointment but would like to have a little time before he takes over. [redacted] stated that the take-over date, to the best of his memory, was either September 1 or October 1, and he is inclined to recall it as October 1. [redacted] further stated that at a meeting, at which time Secretary Johnson of Defense, Secretary of State Acheson, the President, and he were present, the name of General Smith was discussed and the question asked by the President whether anyone had any better suggestion for the person to head CIA. [redacted] present stated they did not have a better man to name and therefore General Smith was approached. *1297*

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Spaatz Takes Lead as Choice For Central Intelligence Post

By Marie T. Brown
North American Newspaper Alliance

Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz, former chief of staff of the Air Force, now retired, is in the lead as possible choice for the post of director of the Central Intelligence Agency, according to a source close to the White House.

An impending shakup in the highly important CIA has been rumored daily in Washington for the last month. The present director, Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter, is reported to be retiring shortly, although this has not been announced officially.

Most frequently mentioned recently as first choice for director of CIA has been Lt. Gen. Walter

Bedell Smith, former chief of staff of the United States forces in the European theater, and former Ambassador to Russia.

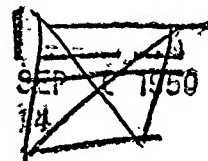
However, according to the best possible sources, Gen. Smith was reluctant to consider the job, giving ill health as his reason.

The selection of Gen. Smith is being urged strongly. It is said, by W. Averell Harriman, assistant to the President and former Ambassador to Russia, whom Gen. Smith succeeded to that post in 1946.

Other candidates who have their own powerful backers pulling for them are William W. Wood, Bill Donovan, former director of strategic services, and Dean Rusk, Deputy Undersecretary of State.

W. K. Ray
Belmont

Washington "Evening Star"
Friday, August 18, 1950



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Federal Bureau of Investigation

New York, N. Y.
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Director, FBI

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Attention: Assistant to the Director D. M. Ladd

Re: LT. GEN. WALTER BEDELL SMITH,
Commanding General, First Army

Dear Sir:

Confirming my telephone conversation of today with Mr. Ladd, this is to advise that today I had occasion to talk with Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, Commanding General, First Army, Governors Island, New York, at his office. He was extremely cordial and friendly in his manner. He stated at the outset that he greatly appreciated the fine cooperation which he had received here from the FBI in matters of mutual interest. He then indicated that "off the record" he expected to lean even more heavily upon the FBI in the future, inasmuch as he definitely expected to accept the post of Director of the CIA and in that capacity will want the help and cooperation of the Director. He spoke in terms of the highest praise of the Director and the FBI. He mentioned his great admiration for the high calibre of the personnel making up the FBI, stating that this could only be attributed to Mr. Hoover's outstanding leadership throughout the years. He further stated that he knew that he had a very difficult job ahead of him, particularly since it was very easy for outsiders to criticize the work of an intelligence agency and in fact uninformed sources may criticize this work even when it has been well done. In this connection he mentioned that there had been criticism of the intelligence activities of the Army in connection with the Battle of the Bulge, when in fact an excellent intelligence job had been done. In his comments on the difficulty of the post he is assuming with the CIA, he remarked, "I'm afraid I am accepting a poisoned chalice."

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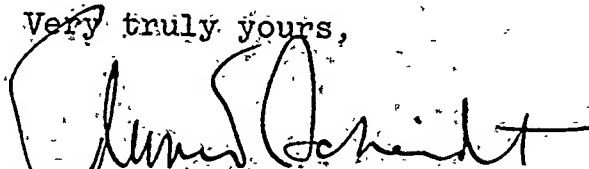
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I thanked General Smith for his commendatory references toward the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Edward Scheidt', written in a cursive style.

EDWARD SCHEIDT
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 6, 1950

FROM : SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: ALEXANDER F. JONES
Executive Editor
The Herald Journal
Syracuse, New York

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While in Syracuse last week, I stopped in to see Mr. JONES. During the course of the conversation, I told him that I had read his editorial entitled "A Brilliant Appointment That Will Do No Good," which appeared in the August 23rd edition of the Herald Journal. Mr. JONES was most emphatic regarding his observations that the Director should be placed in charge of the Central Intelligence Agency. He stated that it was generally known that General SMITH, whom he referred to as "BEETLE" suffered from a severe case of ulcers and that he would not be able to devote his full time to properly organizing and directing CIA.

Mr. JONES stated that in his opinion, CIA was at this crucial time the most important Government agency and required the constant attention of its administrator, whom he described as being an individual respected by Congress, respected by the Armed Forces, and respected by the State Department and the White House. According to Mr. JONES, the Director is the only man who could meet such specifications, and even though General SMITH might be acceptable in some respects, he, JONES, felt that SMITH was not capable of handling such a strenuous assignment.

I told Mr. JONES that I knew that the Director appreciated the confidence which Mr. JONES had manifested. I then went into rather a lengthy discussion with Mr. JONES as to the magnitude of the present responsibilities during these critical times in connection with the safeguarding of the internal security of the United States and impressed upon him the importance of this work. Mr. JONES assured me that both he and his paper were completely at the disposal of the FBI.

This is for the Bureau's information.

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Lieutenant General Walter D. Smith
Headquarters, 1st Army
Governors Island
New York 4, New York

Dear General:

I do want to take this opportunity to
express my congratulations on your appointment by
President Truman as Director of ^①Central Intelligence. *Agency*
You have my best wishes for success in your new
position and I do hope you will not hesitate to call
on me at any time we of the FBI can be of service.

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. Edgar Hoover
Approved by the Director

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Brains for Intelligence

THE APPOINTMENT of General Walter Bedell Smith to head Central Intelligence gives hope that wisdom has at long last come to Washington.

General Smith is a soldier of wide experience and keen judgment. He was General Eisenhower's chief assistant during World War II. He was the American Ambassador to Russia during the most crucial period of our relations with that country after that war.

He knows how to evaluate the scraps and bits of information that come in from a thousand places and need to be understood.

He is a declared and sure anti-Communist.

Intelligence is one of the most important functions of a military enterprise. As part of the general unification of our Armed Services, a Central Intelligence Agency was organized, to which all the armed and civilian agencies of the government are required to send such information as they can obtain.

The CIA also gathers its own.

General Smith has been on the General Staff since 1940; he was secretary of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, 1941-42; he was Chief of Staff of the Allied Force Headquarters in North Africa, 1942-44; he was on SHAEF 1944-45.

In a word, he has handled military intelligence of a high order.

His book, "My Three Years in Moscow," is one of the best documents on the relations between that country and this.

One reason for our great troubles in Asia is the utter lack of understanding of the vast dissimilarities in habits of mind between Orientals and Westerners.

The traditions, backgrounds and mores of the Asiatic are so different from those of Europeans that Americans, generally, reach wrong conclusions even from correct data.

Our State Department has been particularly guilty of applying Western criteria to Asiatic problems and personalities.

It cannot be done, as the events in China and Korea establish beyond doubt.

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In The Nation

No. 2 Man in the Central Intelligence Agency

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To appraise Asiatic intelligence, it is necessary not only to have a flexible mind, but a capacity for scholarship. In a word, it comes down to what the industrialists call know-how.

And that leads us a step further. Now that the President has decided to put General Smith at the head of Central Intelligence, why does he not select one of our great industrial managers to head up war production and distribution.

It is no secret that our troops in Korea suffered two months of defeat because they were inadequately supplied.

It is no secret that tank-piercing munitions were stored in Maryland, and had to be rushed 10,000 miles to the front.

This is a matter of efficient, competent, businesslike organization. And unless a man has the know-how, he is likely to be smothered under a mountain of paperwork and red tape.

There are plenty such men. Why are they not used? Why continue in critical jobs men whose failures are written on the tombstones of our sons?

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: August 15, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd *DL*

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I took a call from [redacted] on August 14 and in your absence. He stated [redacted]

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I pointed out to [redacted] in view thereof it was apparent that the Bureau was not responsible for any delay.

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TO : MR. V. P. KEENE

DATE: September 15, 1950

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Dear [redacted]

I have received your communication dated [redacted]

I trust that you have received my previous communication to you dated August 30, 1950, informing that inasmuch as the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation does not extend outside the United States and its possessions, it was regretted that your offer could not be given consideration by this Bureau.

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Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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By TEX McCrARY and JINX FALKENBURG



HALF HIDDEN BEHIND A WASHINGTON TELEPHONE BOOK is a civilian soldier whose job it is to help X-ray the Iron Curtain. His name is William Harding Jackson, a New Yorker with a Nashville accent, Gen. Walter Bedell Smith's new Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency (C. I. A.). The Kremlin certainly knows all about him, Americans should know him better.

BEFORE World War II, Bill Jackson was a Wall Street lawyer; out of uniform after the war, he became a key partner in the firm of his good friend, John Hay Whitney, a "venture capital" firm: "My pre-war work wasn't satisfying any more. A great many civilian soldiers felt the same way I did."

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He became president of the New York Hospital, and along with Whitney, he took an aggressive interest in combating discrimination throughout America. His future was bright and full of challenge. "I liked my work, and certainly I was more interested in the social problems that boil in New York City than in any military career. This new job of mine, in Washington, is a serious interruption of everything I'd planned to do—but I know that you cannot solve social problems unless you have a free country in which to solve them."

"If you believe as I do—that we have a chance at peace if we are alert, progressive, well prepared and well informed—and if you have a son, as I have, eighteen years old and thinking hard about the draft—then what would you do if Gen. Smith called you from Washington?"

That same question is haunting many a man well beyond the draft age these days. Bill Jackson has always had a special genius for asking questions as well as for answering them. As a civilian-soldier, perhaps the most important question he ever asked popped into his head one day while he was standing on a ladder:

He was fresh out of the Army's intelligence school in Harrisburg, Pa., assigned to the important anti-submarine command. It was his job to stand high on a ladder and stick pins into a war map of the Atlantic, marking sunken German submarines and ships. This particular afternoon he climbed down off his ladder, went over to the colonel in charge, and asked: "Sir—is anybody actually taking stock of whether we are *winning* or *losing* against the submarines?"

The reply was what you might expect: "Your place is back up on that ladder, Jackson." Jackson stiffened, turned, put his foot on the ladder and was about to climb back up to his perch, when the colonel added, "But . . . you can write an estimate of the situation in your spare time."

That was Bill Jackson's first "estimate of the situation"—the essence of all intelligence work. Within a year, he was the chief of the Strategic Intelligence branch of Army G-2, in the European Theater of Operations.

On the basis of his war-time experience, and post-war assignments in England, Jackson helped in the drafting of the basic proposal for a Central Intelligence Agency in Washington. The agency was designed as a modern outfit to give effect to the classic principle of intelligence procedure. First, the collection of

complete information; then the accurate evaluation of this information; then the co-ordination of the best intelligence opinion in the form of national estimates, and finally the quick distribution of evaluated information, reports and finished estimates.

The objective of all this procedure is that foreign policy and defense capabilities may be synchronized and cocked in readiness. That is why every American has a stake in Bill Jackson's job.

My grandfather was a West Pointer, who fought in the Civil War, but I am the first member of my immediate family to come North from Nashville to work in New York, the first in five generations that isn't a farmer. And you will have a hard time finding any intelligence training in my early background—come to think of it, as a kid, I never even read any of the spy novels by E. Phillips Oppenheim!"

A graduate of Princeton University, his house is not far from the Institute of Advanced Studies, where the minds of men like Albert Einstein and J. Robert Oppenheimer are today just as important arsenals as you will find in Detroit, Pittsburgh, or Los Angeles. In the struggle for survival that lies ahead, ideas are weapons—and in the warfare of ideas, civilian-soldier Bill Jackson is as brilliantly equipped as another Jackson named "Stonewall," in the days when cavalry was a decisive weapon.

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TO : MR. LADD

DATE: September 28, 1950

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

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On September 28, 1950, I received a call from Miss Coleman, of the Office of Congressman Walter B. Huber (D) of Ohio, advising that the Congressman had received an inquiry concerning the Freedom Crusade Movement. She advised she understood it was a legitimate organization backed by General Eisenhower and General Bradley, but in view of recent publicity about peace movements, she thought she had better check with the FBI as to whether we had any information concerning it.

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 [redacted] Congressional inquiries should be referred to Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations Jack McFall or his Deputy, Ben Brown.

I suggested to Miss Coleman that she check with Mr. McFall, inasmuch as I understand that information concerning this organization is readily obtainable from him. She said she would do this.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *ABz*
 FROM : V. P. KEAY *VPK*
 SUBJECT: LIEUTENANT GENERAL WALTER BEDELL SMITH,
DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

DATE: September 29, 1950 ✓

Tolson ✓
 Ladd
 Clegg
 Glavin ✓
 Nichols ✓
 Rosen
 Tracy
 Harbo
 Belmont
 Mohr
 Tele. Room
 Nease
 Gandy

Admiral Hillenkoetter has confidentially advised Special Agent DeLoach that General Smith, upon accepting the appointment as Director of CIA, made the stipulation that his tenure in office would be temporary. General Smith has also advised Admiral Hillenkoetter of this fact on an "off-record" basis. Hillenkoetter stated that Mr. Hoover might like to know of this, however, he requested that his remarks concerning this matter not be repeated.

As you know, Admiral Hillenkoetter is slated to leave September 30, 1950. He will immediately report to the Bureau of Naval Personnel where he will be assigned to a Cruiser Division operating in the waters off Korea. The Admiral has chosen as his flagship the USS St. Louis.

ACTION:

This is for informational purposes.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Tolson 5744	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Miss Gandy 5633
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Ladd 5736	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Nease 5633
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Clegg 5256	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Glavin 5517	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Harbo 7625	<input type="checkbox"/> Records Sec. 7235
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Rosen 5706	<input type="checkbox"/> Pers. Records 6635
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Tracy 4130 IB	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading Room 5531
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Belmont 1742	<input type="checkbox"/> Mail Room 5533
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<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. English 5627	

☐ See Me ☐ For Appropriate Action
☐ Send File ☐ Prepare Reply

Miss Pownell is assigned to

my office. -

Director might like to see

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Mr. Ladd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Clegg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Glavin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Nichols	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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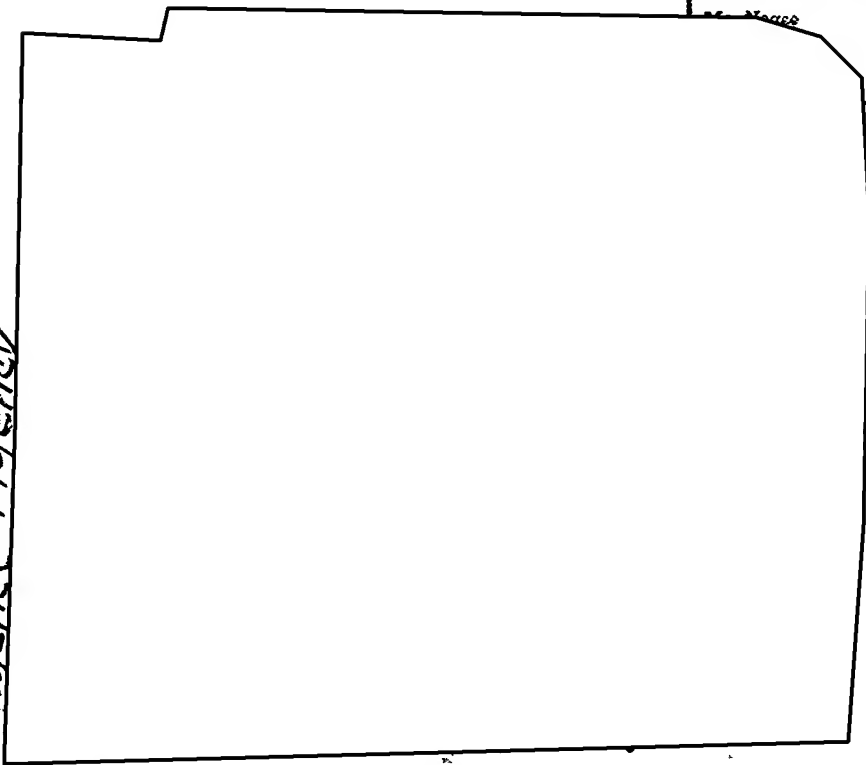
L. B. Nichols
Room 5640, Ext 691

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Tele. Room -b3 _____
Mr. Nease _____

August 24, 1950

Mr. Nichols:

I thought you might be interested
in the following little item:



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Mary Pownell

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TO: MR. LADD

DATE: July 28, 1950

FROM: J. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Gurnea	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Pennington	_____
Mr. Quinn Tamm	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Central Intelligence Agency

This is to advise that SAC Wall, of the Albany Office, called today at 4:15 pm and stated that he had been advised

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Referral/Consult

SAC Wall was advised that [REDACTED]

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TO : MR. LADD

DATE: July 27, 1950

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Mr. Tolson _____
 Mr. Clegg _____
 Mr. Glavin _____
 Mr. Ladd _____
 Mr. Nichols _____
 Mr. Rosen _____
 Mr. Tracy _____
 Mr. Egan _____
 Mr. Gurnea _____
 Mr. Harbo _____
 Mr. Mohr _____
 Mr. Pennington _____
 Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
 Tele. Room _____
 Mr. Nease _____
 Miss Holmes _____
 Miss Gandy _____

Central Intelligence Agency

At 1:00 pm, July 27, 1950. SAC Mason called from

Savannah to advise that [REDACTED]

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Referral/Consult

SAC Mason was advised that [REDACTED]

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to:

Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2210 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

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Attention: [REDACTED]

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: [REDACTED]

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Reference is made to [REDACTED]

A review of the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reflects [REDACTED]

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Gandy _____

BY SPL MSGR
OCT 3 - 1950
COMM - FBI

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~~BY SPECIAL MESSENGER~~

W. K. [unclear]

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(B) CHANGE OF ADDRESS - DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1950 -- Lieutenant General Walter Bedell Smith has replaced Rear Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter as Director of Central Intelligence Agency, effective October 1, 1950. Formal mail to the Director of CIA should now read:

Lieutenant General Walter Bedell Smith
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

Informal matters such as intra-agency memoranda should merely read:

Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

The new Deputy Director of CIA is William H. Jackson. His address is the same as that of General Smith.

Very truly yours,
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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